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MEMORANDUM TO

General Beebe visited Hq EUCOM on 18 July 1956. During the course of his conversations with General Decker, General Beebe was queried regarding overflight activities. General Decker requested that he be informed in detail on the background leading to Soviet note and USAFE denial. He had been generally advised by General Tunner prior to flights. Under the circumstances, General Beebe filled General Decker in on significant developments for his understanding. Such actions had been authorized by Mr. Bissell, if necessary. Disassociation of the Air Force from this project was explained. General Decker is completely satisfied.

The names and positions of personnel briefed are outlined below:

General George H. Decker, USA 015950 Deputy CINCEUR

Maj Gen George Honnen, USA 012816 Chief os Staff, EUCOM

Colonel John K. Brown Jr., USAF 1113A Chief, Policy Branch, J-3 Division, Hq EUCOM

In accordance with the agreements reached between Mr. Bissell and General Beebe, it is requested that you relay the above information to your headquarters.

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Chief, Recon Branch

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